

READY NOW

AZUL'S JIT / AOT HYBRID



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ABOUT AZUL ZING[®]

Known for C4 “Pauseless” GC

Derived from HotSpot

Popular with Financial Customers

READYNOW'S ORIGINAL PURPOSE

Originated from requests
from our existing financial
customers

Expanding out into
other user applications

Eliminate Warm-up

First transaction is critical

No loss of peak performance

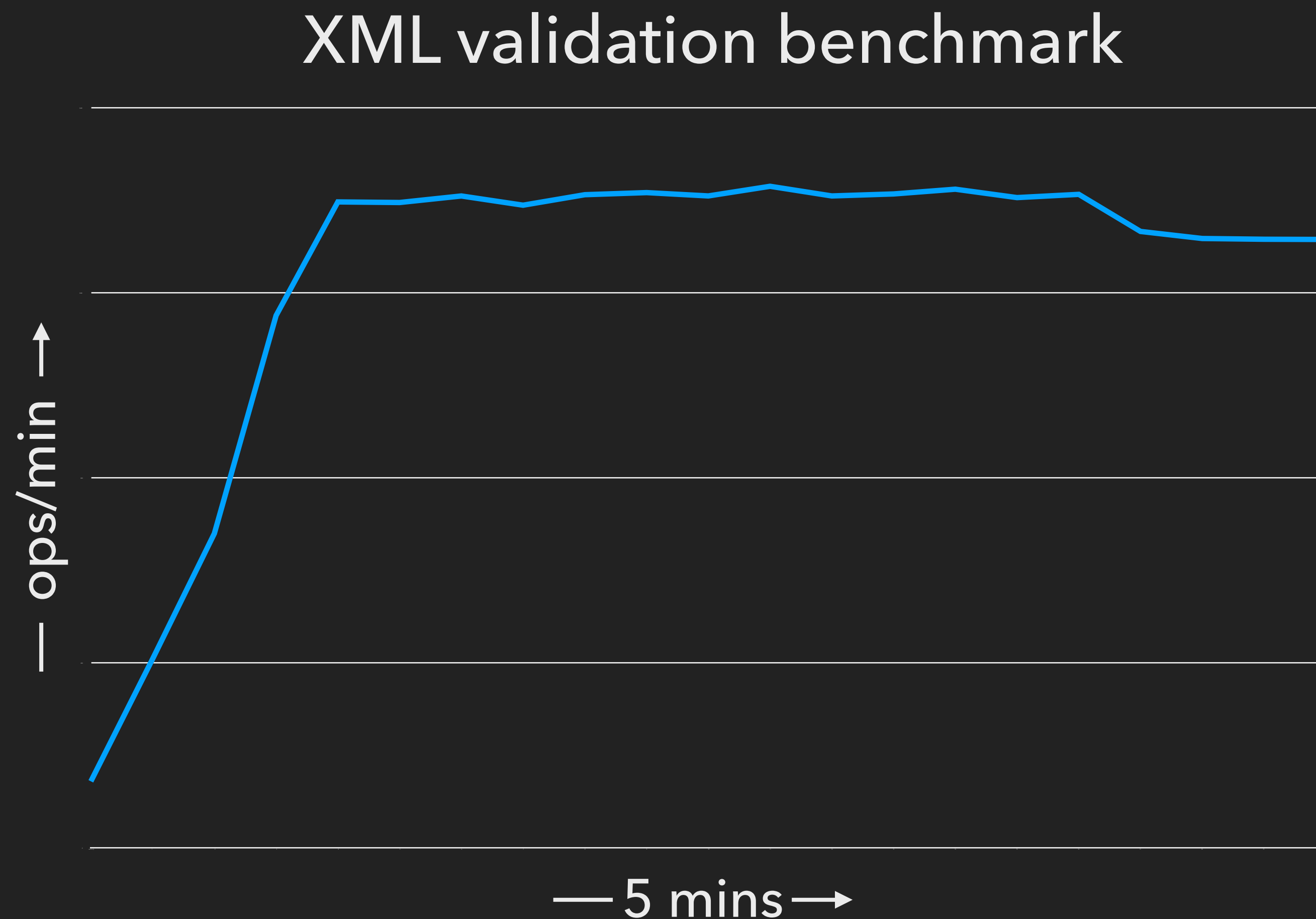
Eliminate volatility

No artificial load

START FAST!

STAY FAST!

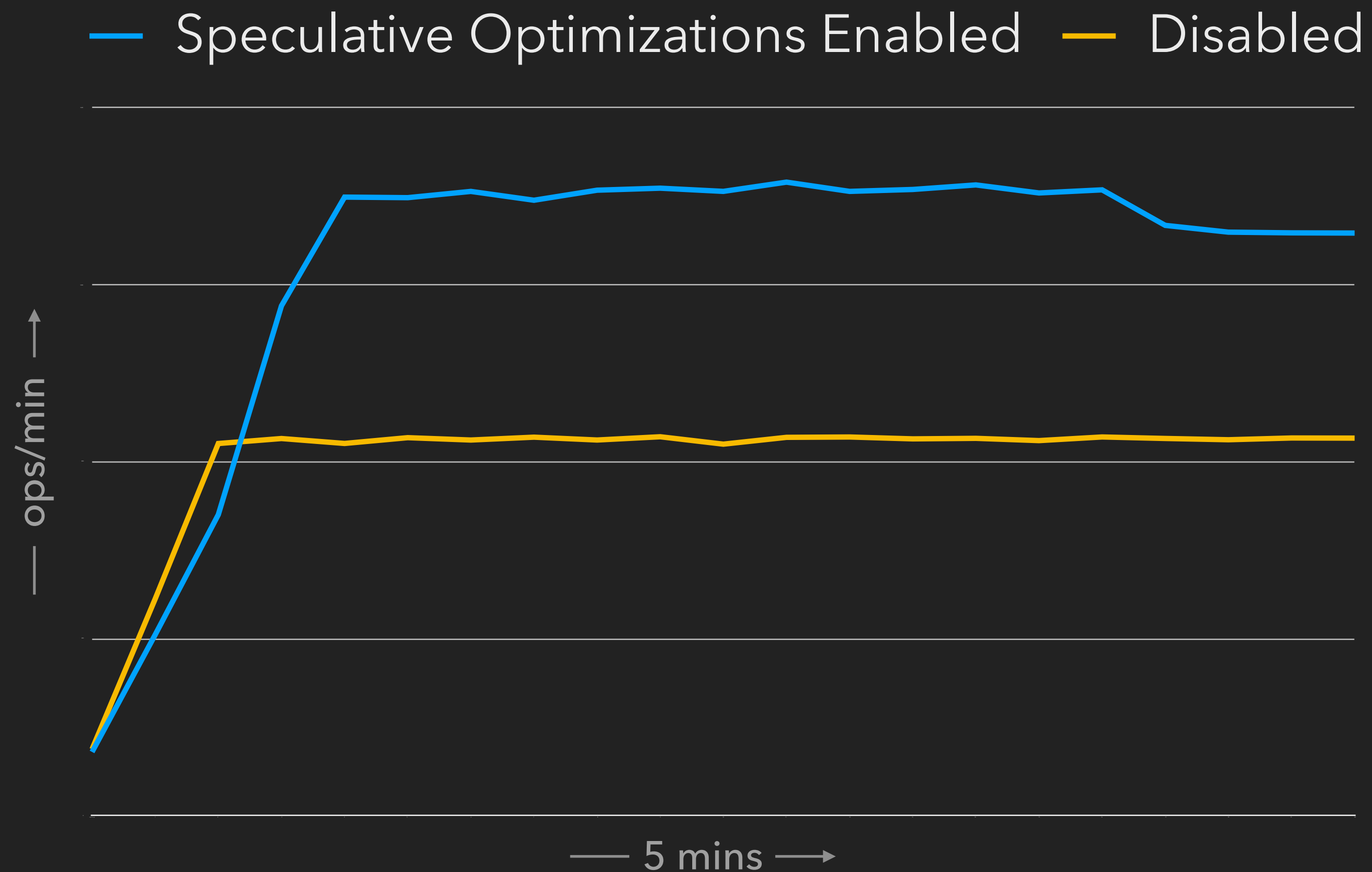
START WARMED-UP



Just-in-Time is
Slightly Too Late

Need Something...
Proactive
Not Reactive

~~NO~~ MINIMAL LOSS OF THROUGHPUT



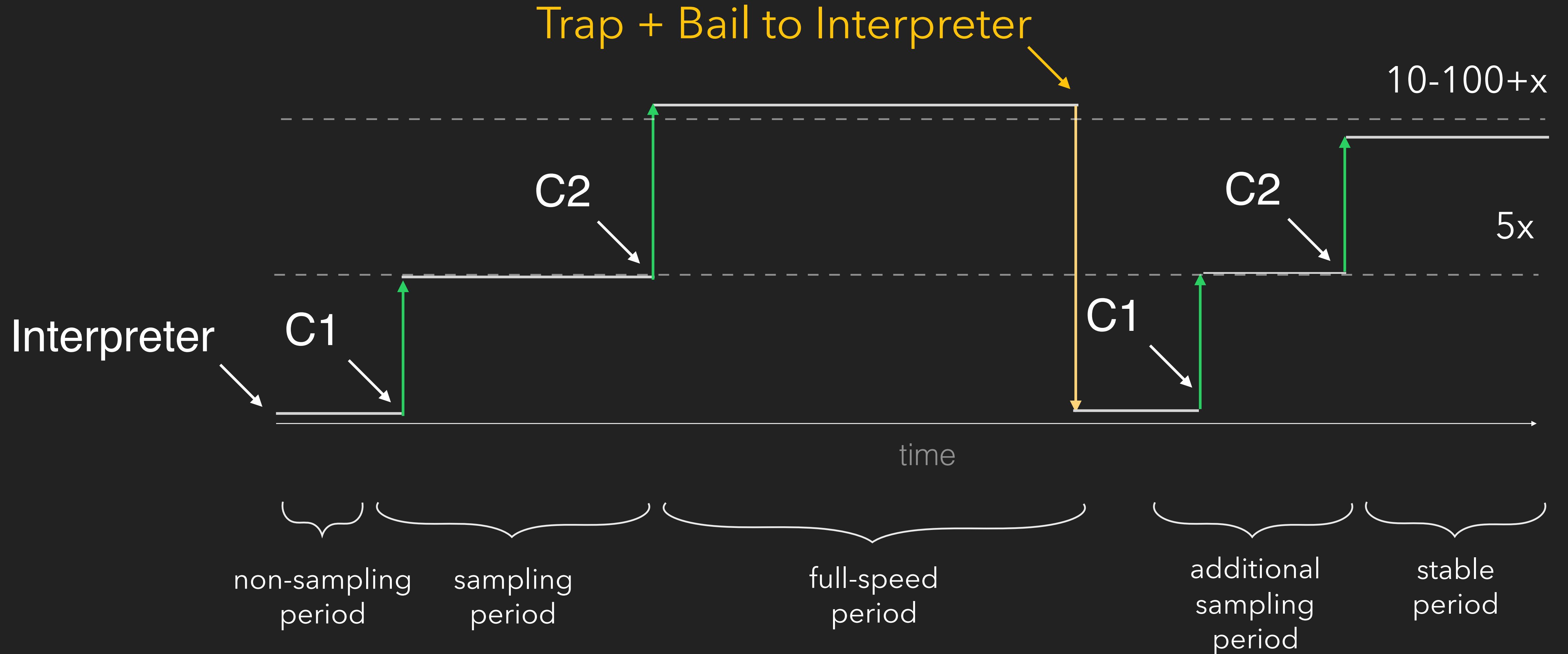
+30%

$\approx 80^*$

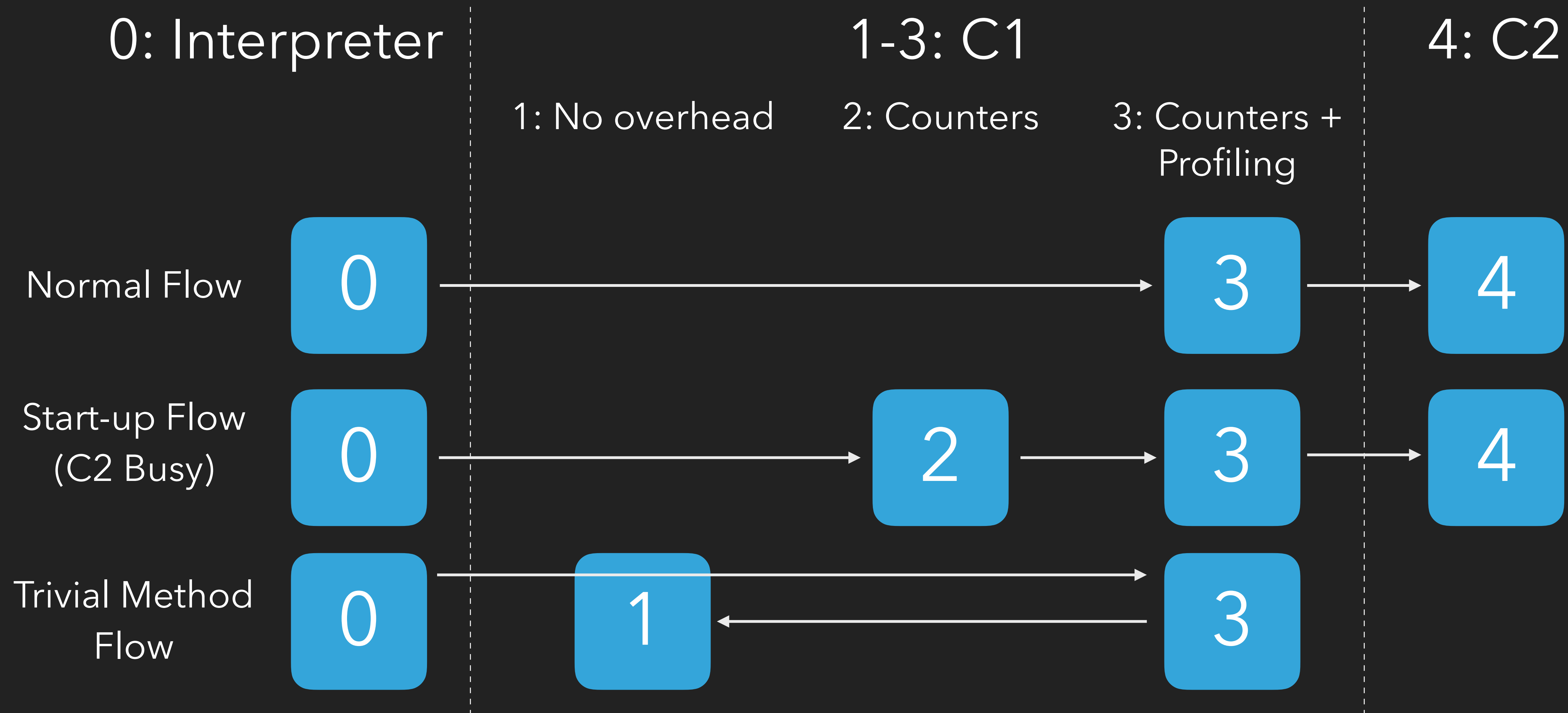
Discarded
Compilations

* out of 800 optimized tier compilations

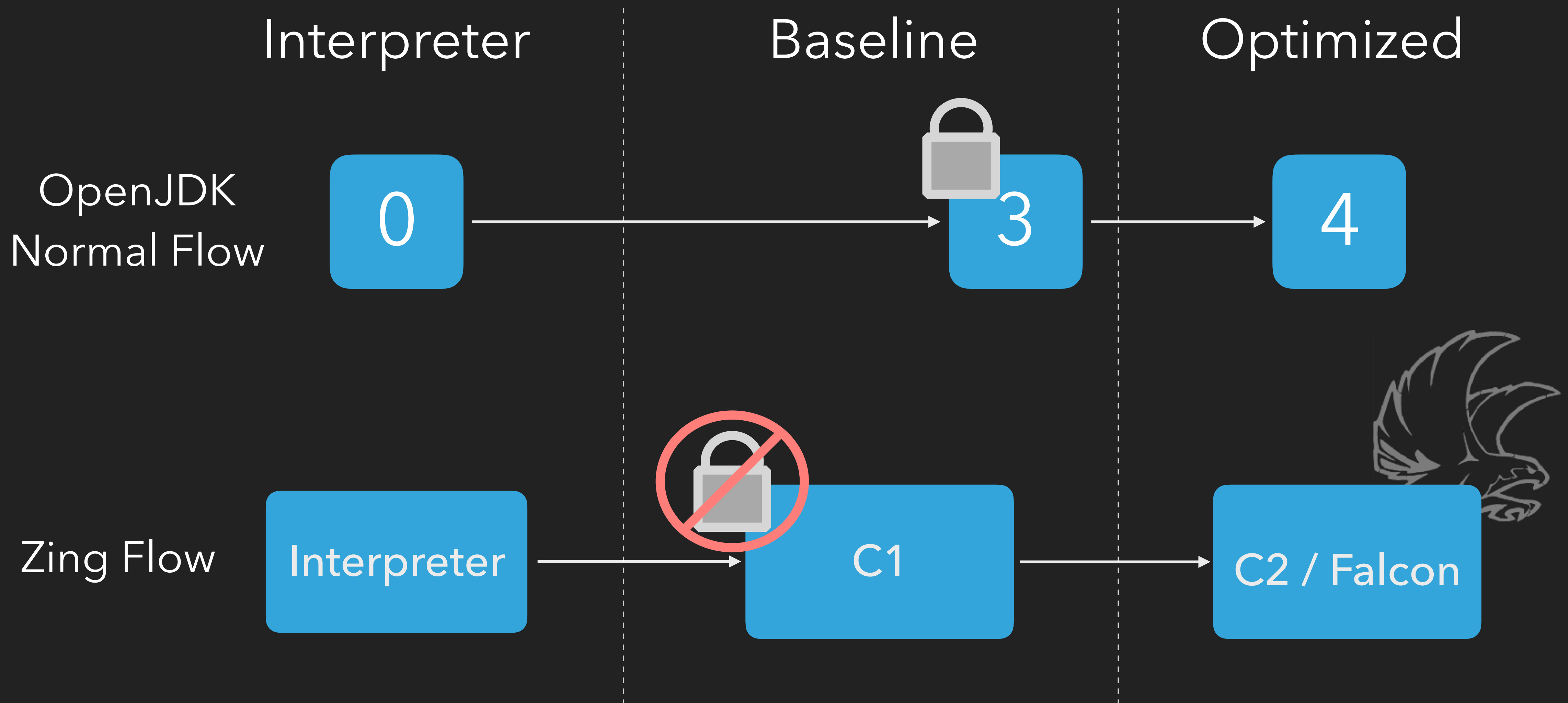
SIMPLIFIED CYCLE OF OPENJDK

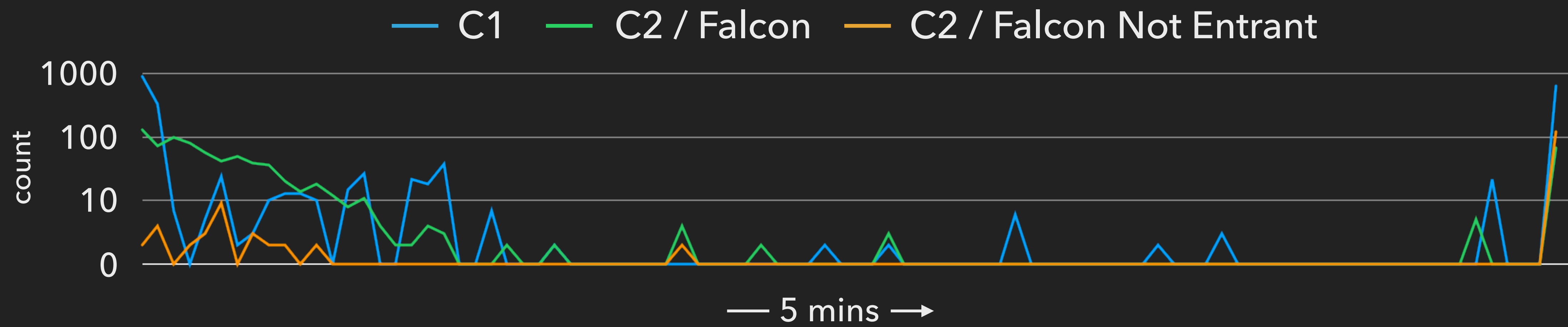


ACTUAL OPENJDK TIERING SYSTEM

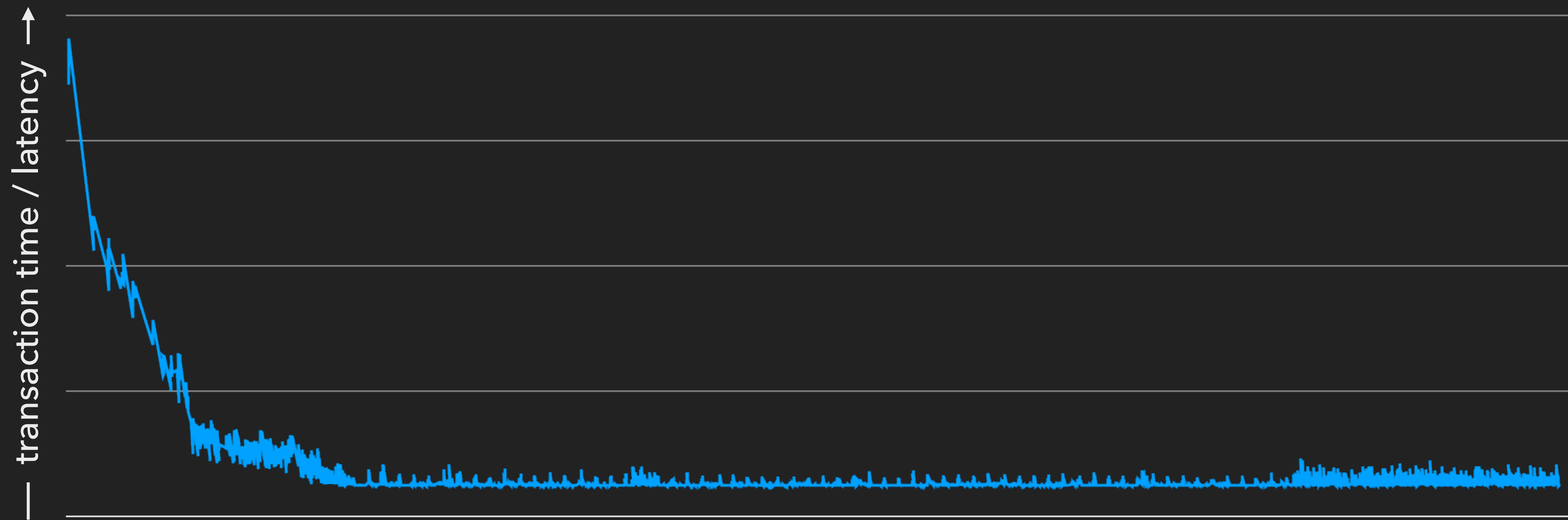


ZING TIERING SYSTEM

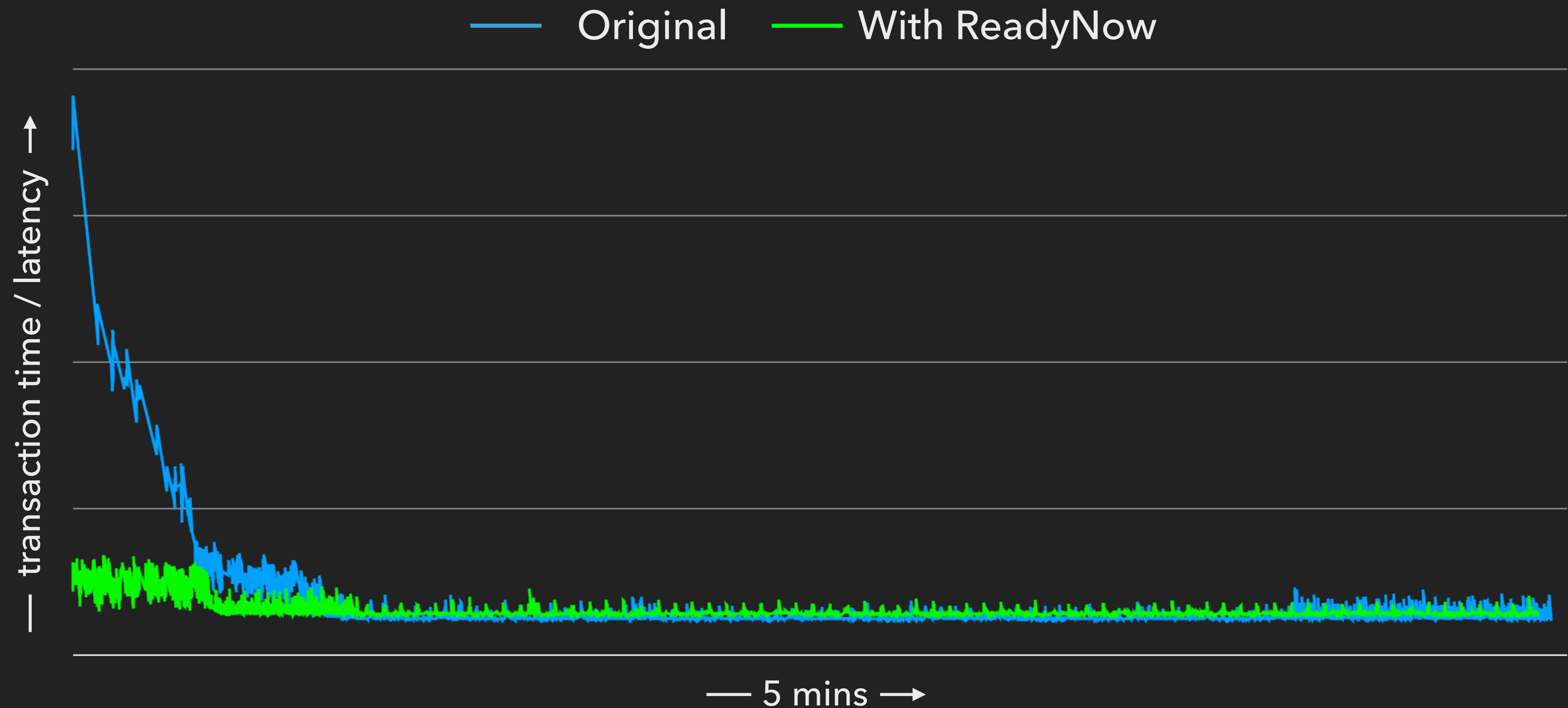




Individual XML validation results



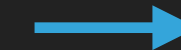
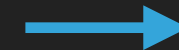
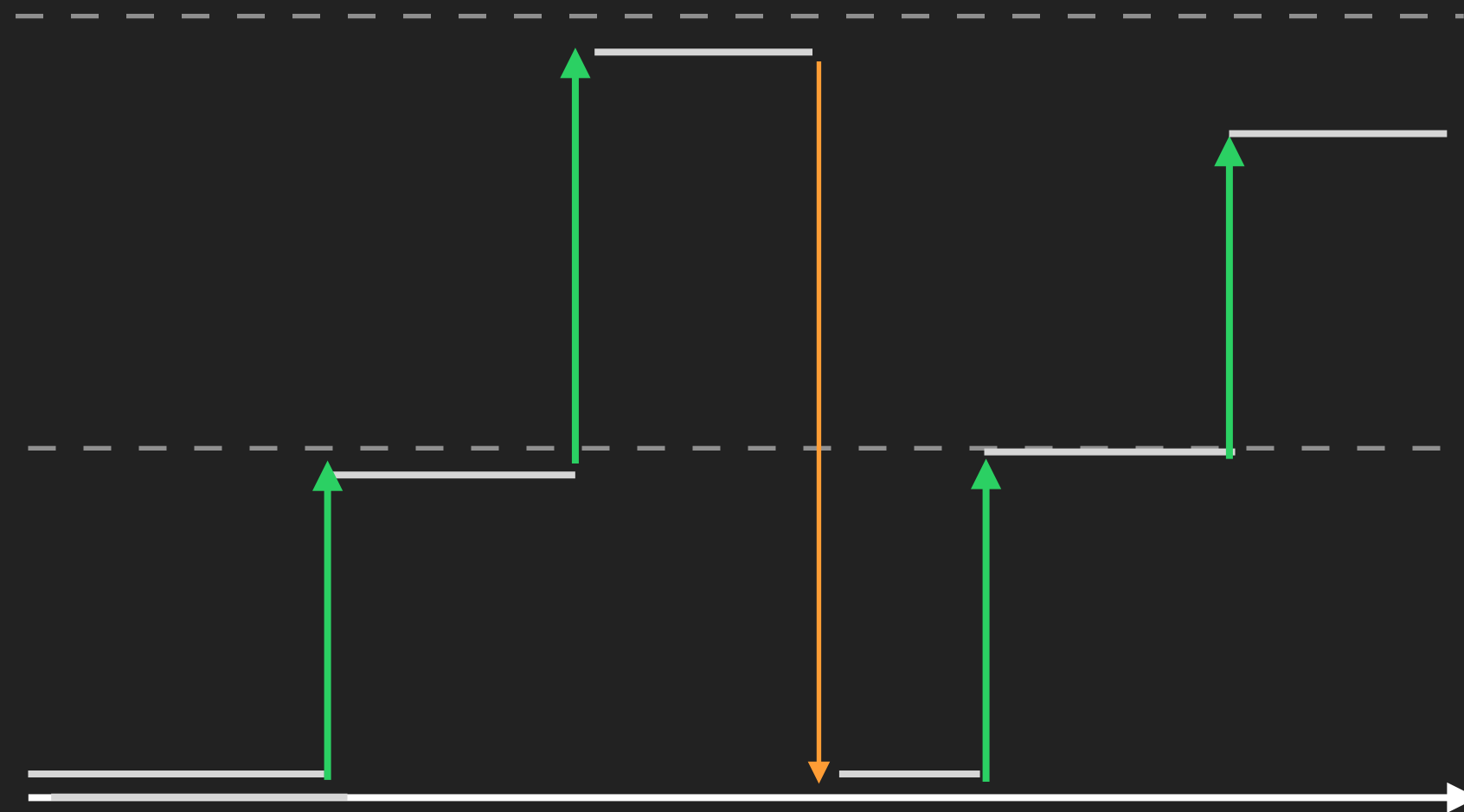
EVENTUALLY, WE'LL SEE...



**UNCONVENTIONAL
APPROACH
BUT “NATURAL” FOR HOTSPOT**

AT A VERY *HIGH* LEVEL

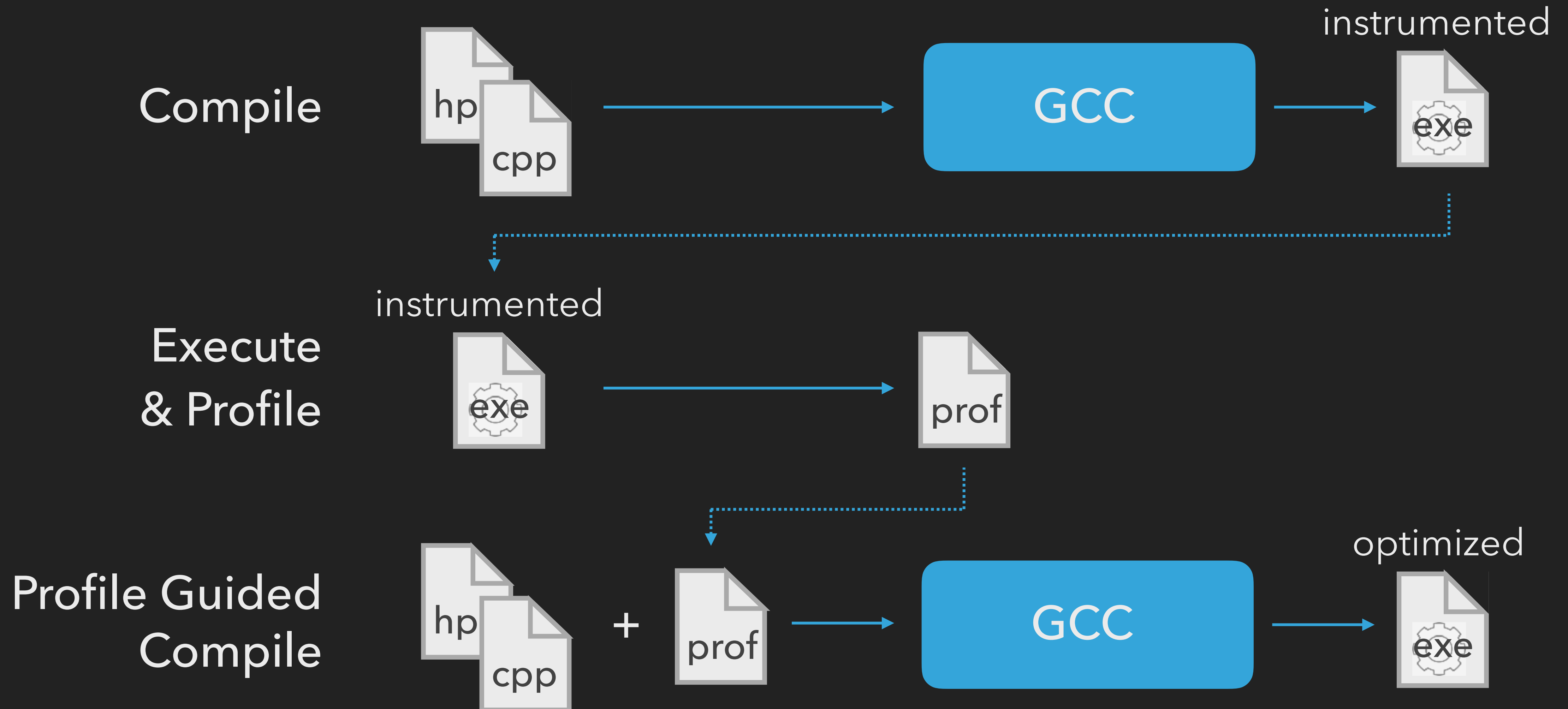
ORIGINAL RUN



SUBSEQUENT RUNS



MORE LIKE TRADITIONAL PROFILE GUIDED OPTIMIZATION



READYNOW ISN'T...

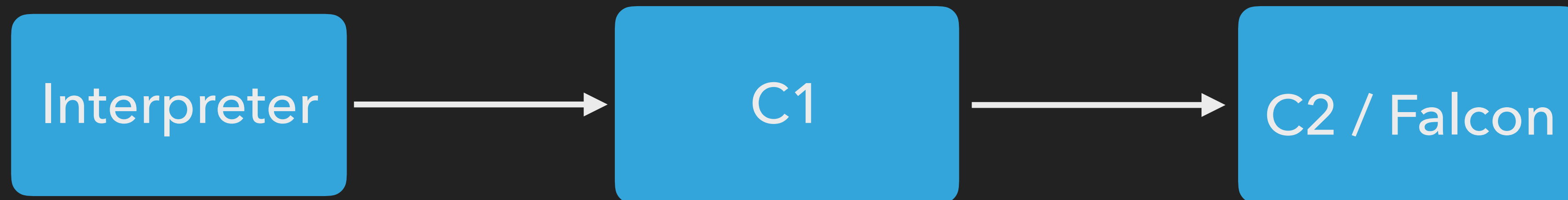
AOT
JIT Cache

READYNOW IS...

Compilation Log
Profile Cache

Add-on to existing
compilers: C1 & C2

COMPILATION LOG



Two vertical blue arrows point from the 'C1' and 'C2 / Falcon' boxes respectively to a white box with a folded top-right corner. This box contains the compilation log entries.

C1Compilation foo.Bar::baz
C2Compilation foo.Bar::baz
...

CONCATENATIVE TRANSACTION LOG

Concatenative transaction log
UPsert-s into a database

Grows with each compilation

Plain text - uncompressed

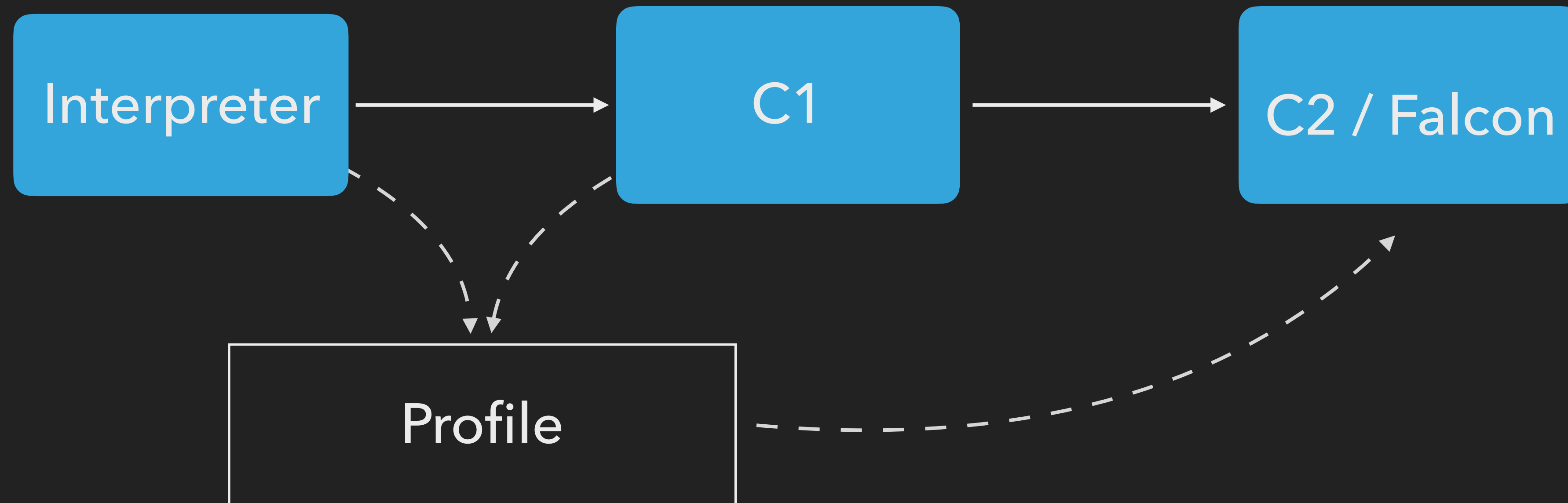
Backwards Compatible

Accidentally similar to CI Replay

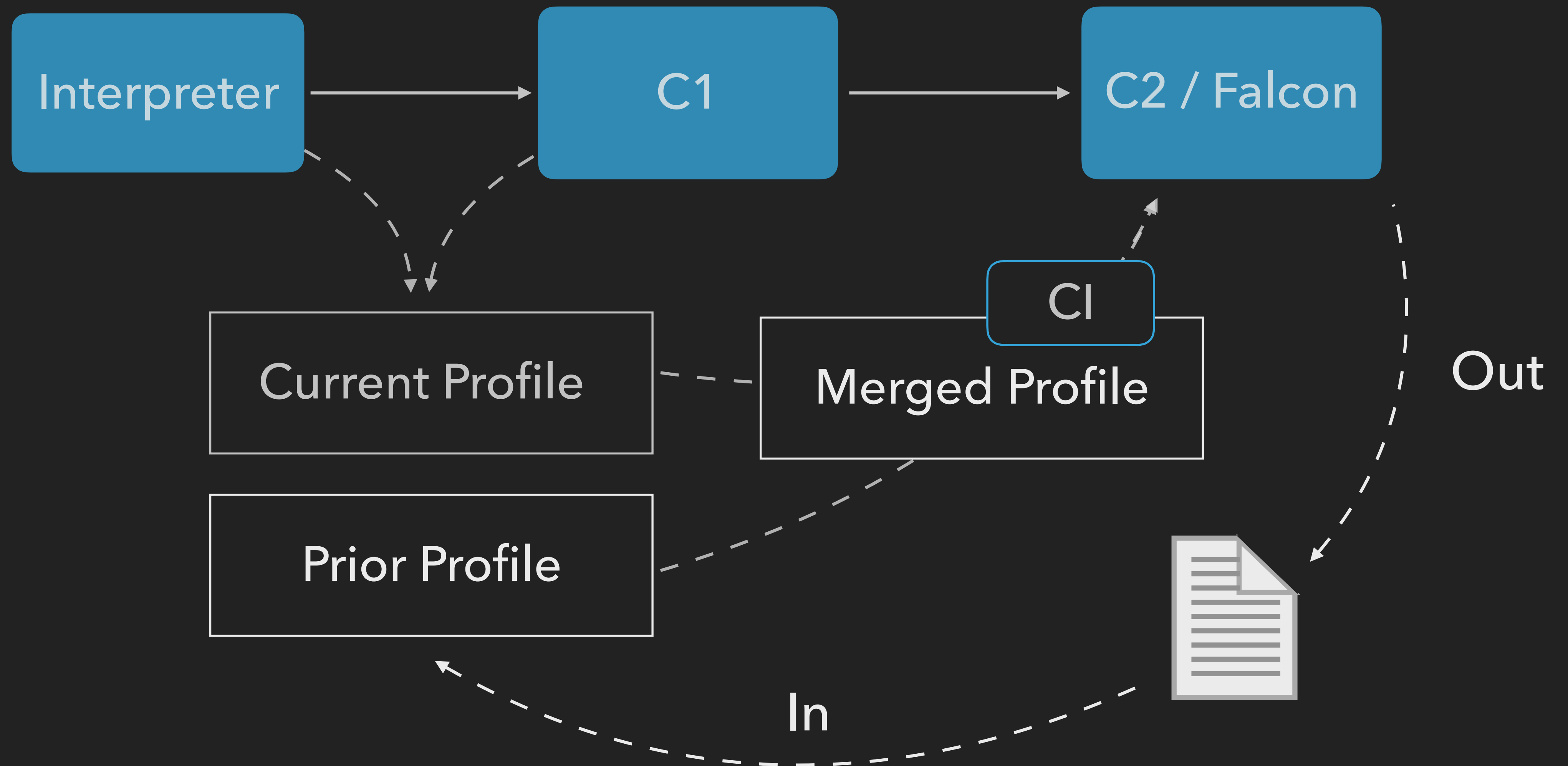
10-100 MiB
on disk

5-30 MiB
from native
memory

ZING PROFILING



READYNOW PROFILE CACHE



SIMILAR PROFILE DATA TO OPENJDK

OPENJDK

LOG COMPILATION

Branches

```
<branch
  target_bci='17'
  cnt='5800'
  taken='0'
  not_taken='5800'
  prob='never' />
```

Calls

```
<class id='780' name='Square' .../>
<class id='781' name='Sqrt' .../>
<call method='783'
  count='23161'
  receiver='780' receiver_count='19901'
  receiver2='781' receiver2_count='3260'
.../>
```

READYNOW

PROFILE LOG

Branch	compId	methodId
17	5800	0
	5800	

Class 780	Square
Class 781	Sqrt
Invoke	compId methodId
	23161
	{ { 780 19901 }
	{ 781 3260 } }

MERGE PROFILES

Live
Call Histogram

Foo	7500
Bar	1500
Baz	1000

Recorded
Call Histogram

Quux	7500
Bar	1500
Foo	1000

Merged
Call Histogram

Foo	$\max(7500, 1000)$
Bar	$\max(1500, 1500)$
Baz	1000

Quux	7500
------	------

Prefer *Live* Data
over Recorded Data

Idempotent

AVOID COMPILE / DEOPT STORM

-XX:+PrintCompilation

612	24	%	!	3	...UninitializedForever::main @ 5 (25 bytes)	
621	25		!	3	...UninitializedForever::main (25 bytes)	
952	26	%	!	4	...UninitializedForever::main @ 5 (25 bytes)	
953	24	%	!	3	...UninitializedForever::main @ -2 (25 bytes)	made not entrant
1024	26	%	!	4	...UninitializedForever::main @ -2 (25 bytes)	made not entrant
1033	27	%	!	3	...UninitializedForever::main @ 5 (25 bytes)	
1405	28	%	!	4	...UninitializedForever::main @ 5 (25 bytes)	
...						
7339	55	%	!	3	...UninitializedForever::main @ 5 (25 bytes)	
7690	56	%	!	4	...UninitializedForever::main @ 5 (25 bytes)	
7690	55	%	!	3	...UninitializedForever::main @ -2 (25 bytes)	made not entrant
7761	56	%	!	4	...UninitializedForever::main @ -2 (25 bytes)	made not entrant
7769	57	%	!	3	...UninitializedForever::main @ 5 (25 bytes)	

SIMPLE CONCEPT

NOT SO SIMPLE TO IMPLEMENT

NOT SO SIMPLE, THANKS TO
JAVA LANGUAGE
AND
JAVA ECOSYSTEM

FROM MY PERSPECTIVE JAVA IS A DYNAMIC LANGUAGE

Dynamically Loaded

Lazy Initialized

Dynamically Dispatched

Runtime Checked

UNLOADED

JIT DOESN'T KNOW...

Fields

Methods

Parent Class

Interfaces

⋮

Anything

```
if ( always ) {  
    return Class1.getStatic();  
} else {  
    return Class2.getStatic();  
}
```



```
if ( always ) {  
    return Class1.getStatic();  
} else {  
    uncommon_trap(:unloaded);  
}
```

Give Up!

BAIL TO INTERPRETER

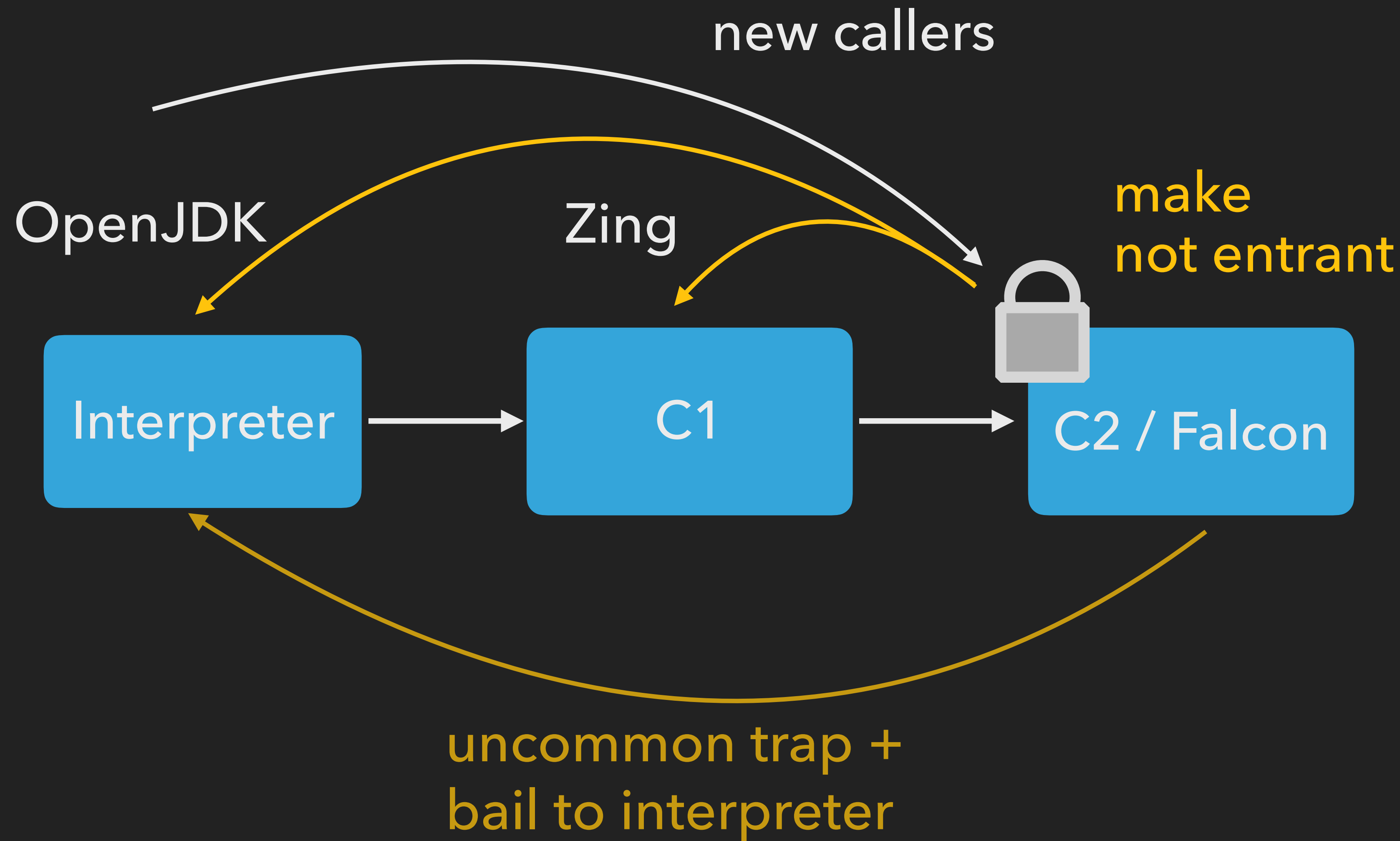


uncommon trap +
bail to interpreter

LOG COMPILATION

```
<uncommon_trap  
  thread='7171'  
  compile_id='24'  
  compile_kind='osr'  
  compiler='C2'  
  level='4'  
  reason='uninitialized'  
  action='reinterpret'  
  stamp='1.038'>  
  
...  
</uncommon_trap>
```

BAIL INTERPRETER + MAKE NOT ENTRANT



LOG COMPILATION

```
<make_not_entrant  
  thread='7171'  
  compile_id='24'  
  compile_kind='osr'  
  compiler='C2'  
  level='4'  
  stamp='1.038' />
```

DEOPT STATISTICS

Traps	STW Deopts	Not Entrant	Recompiled
163	33	213	84

Making a Hot Method Not Entrant

10-100ms Latency Event

LAZY INITIALIZED

INITIALIZE CLASS AT FIRST...

Static Field Access

Static Method Call

New

Initialization of Child

INITIALIZATION CHECKING

MyClass.getStatic()



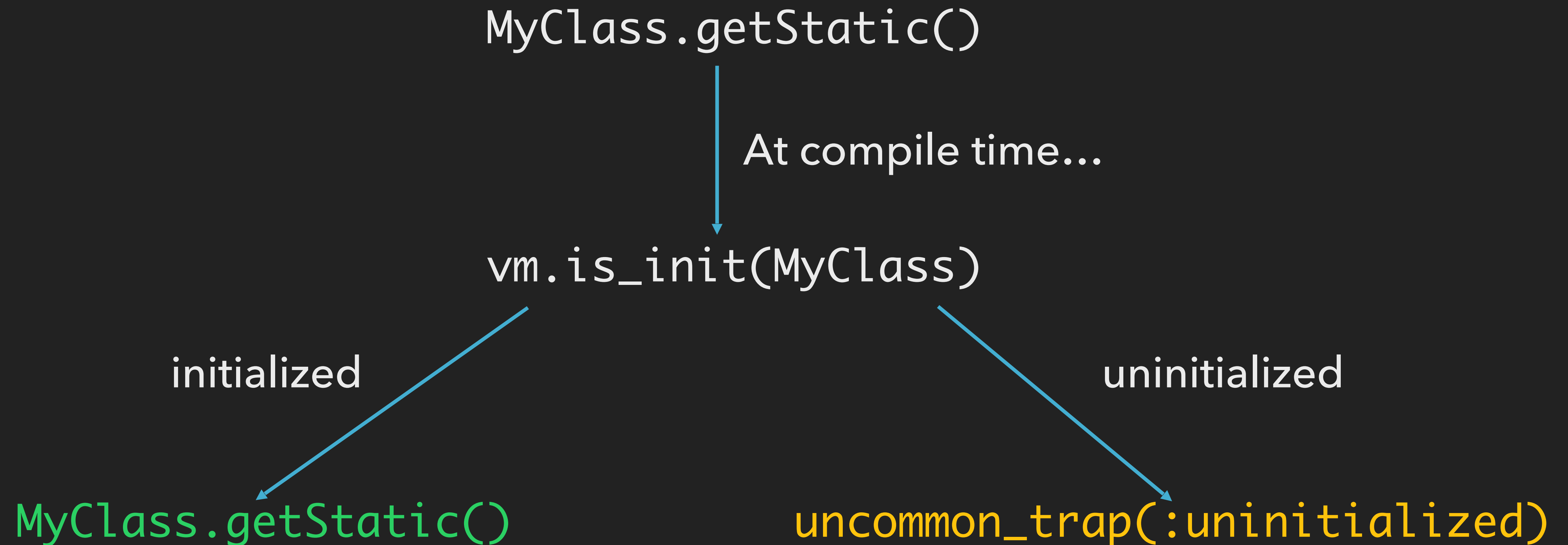
```
if ( !vm.is_init(MyClass)) {  
    vm.init(MyClass);  
}  
MyClass.getStatic()
```

Bloats size by 20%

Slows down by 10+%

JIT RUNS LATE

MOST CLASSES ARE ALREADY INITIALIZED



SPECULATION ALSO LEADS TO TRAPS

```
static final void hotMethod() {  
    if ( thing == null )  
        System.out.print("always");  
    else  
        System.out.print("never");  
}
```



```
static final void hotMethod() {  
    if ( thing == null )  
        System.out.print("always");  
    else  
        uncommon_trap(:unstable_if);  
}
```

trap + bail

Branch	comp	methodId
17	5800	0
0	5800	

Branch	comp	methodId
17	5800	1
1	5800	

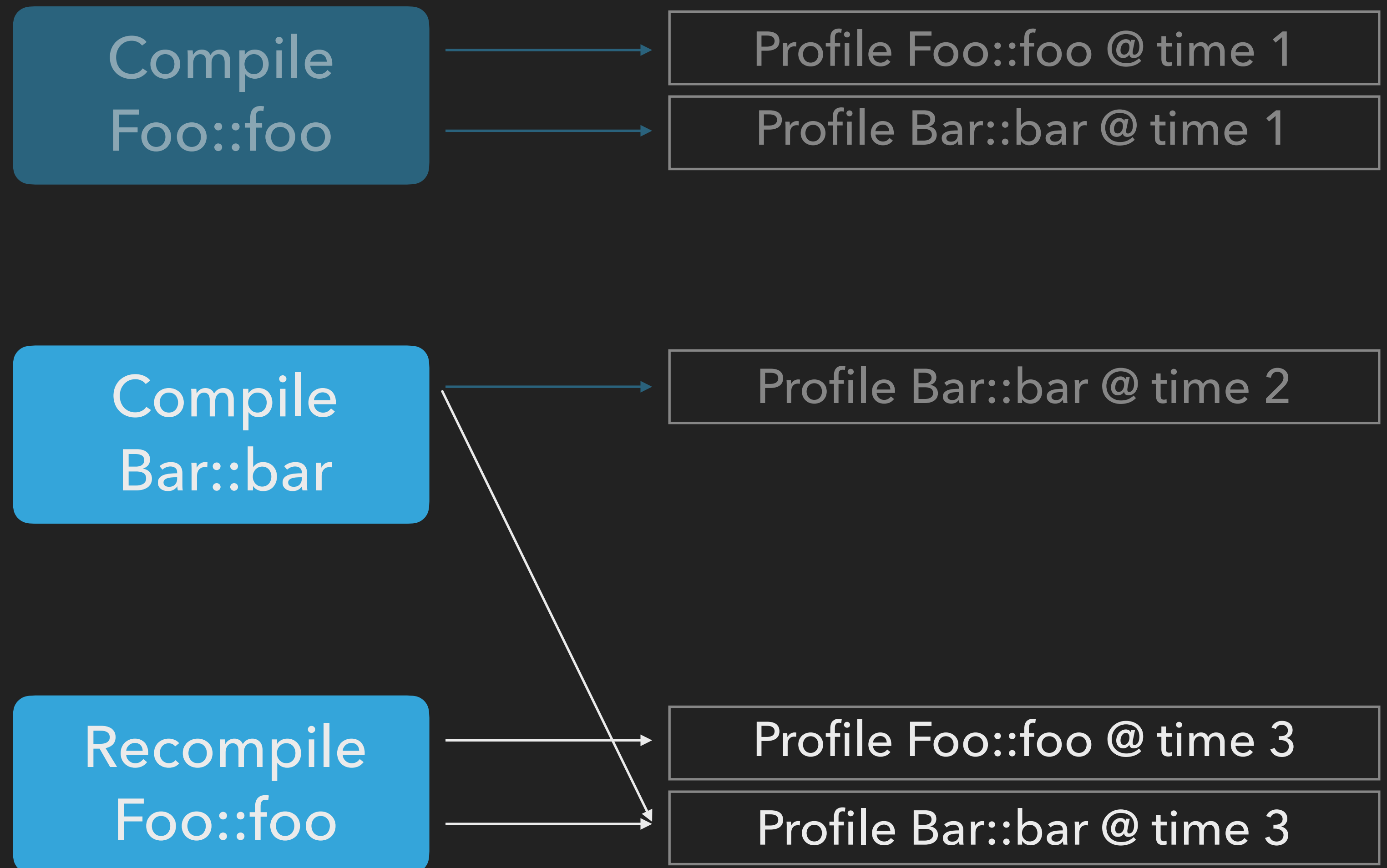
← update
untaken
branch

PICK LAST COMPILE / PROFILE

Reuse last profile
for each method

Last profile contains
any updates from
failed speculations

Produces stable
compilations



REPLAYING COMPILATION LOG
WOULD JUST INSTALL TRAPS

TRACK CLASS LOADING AND INITIALIZATION

COMPILATION PREREQUISITES

`MyClass.getStatic()`

requires → `MyClass init`

Class 23 SomeClass

Class 80 MyClass

C2Compilation foo.Bar::baz

{ 23, 80 } loading prerequisites*

→ { 23 } initialization prerequisites

Class Loading

Live
SomeClass

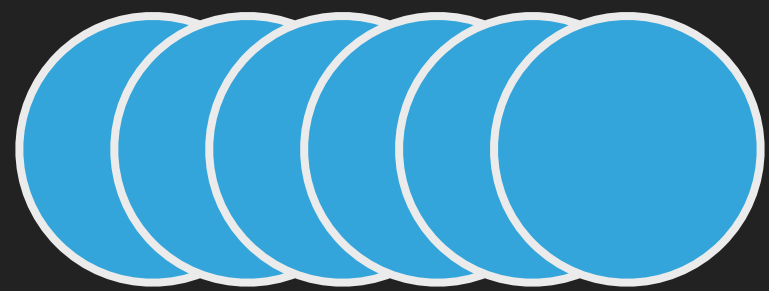
notify



Recorded
SomeClass

notify

C2 / Falcon Queue



enqueue

C2 / Falcon

foo.Bar::baz

Loading



SomeClass

MyClass

Initialization

MyClass

NOT AOT / JIT
ASAP COMPILATION

SOUNDS PROBLEMATIC, BUT CONSIDER...

AOT

Check Code is
Unchanged

Install
Initialization Guards

No speculative
optimizations

JIT CACHE

Check Code is
Unchanged

Wait for Initialization

Speculative optimizations
(if profile matches)

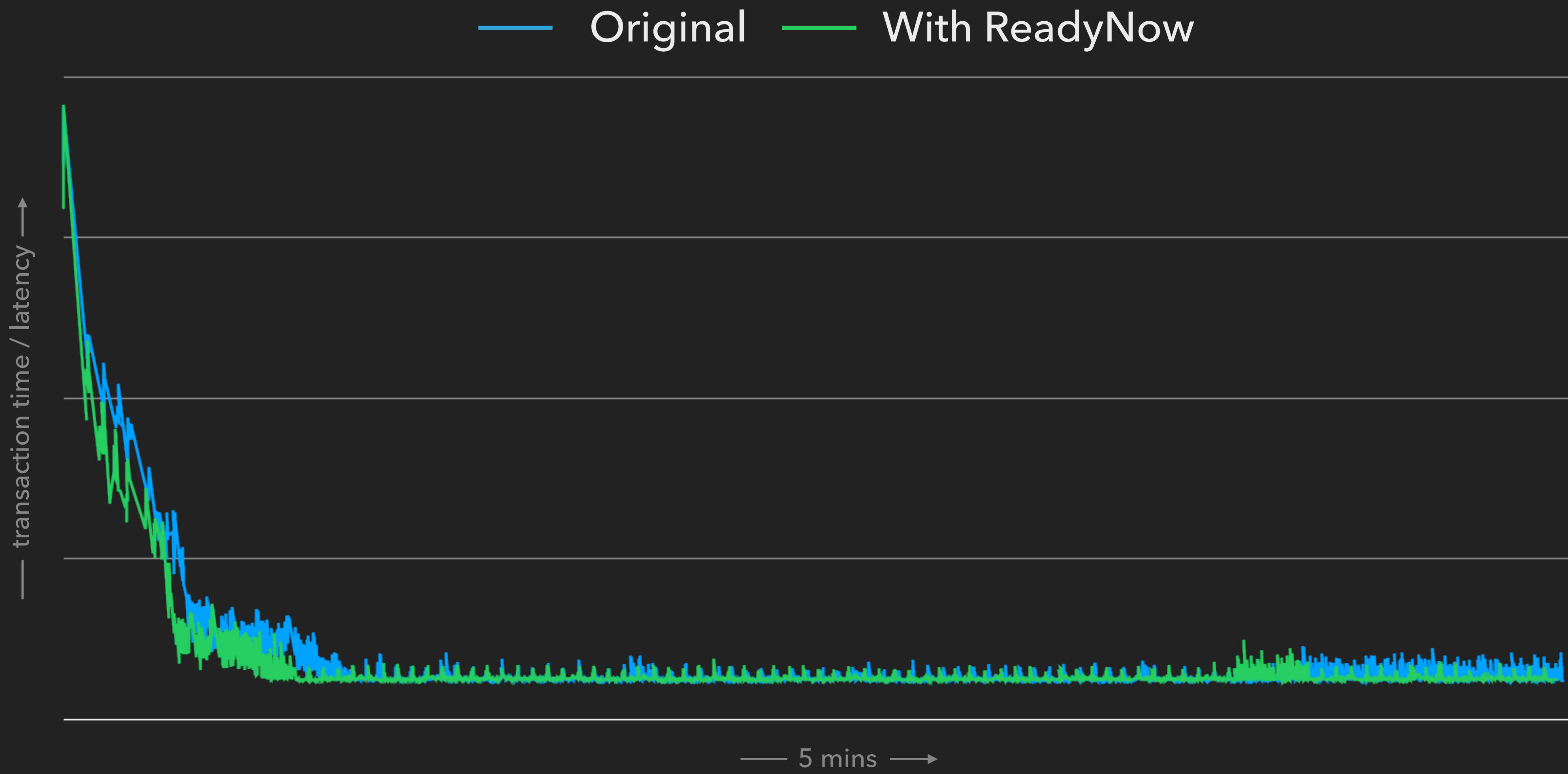
READYNOW

Check Code is
Unchanged

Wait for Initialization

Speculative optimizations
(if profile matches)

FALSE NOTIFICATIONS ARE OKAY
COMPILER MAINTAINS CORRECTNESS
MAY RESULT IN MORE TRAPS



Peak Perf
-0%

Traps
-60%

STW Deopts
-67%

Not Entrant
-75%

Recompiled
-67%

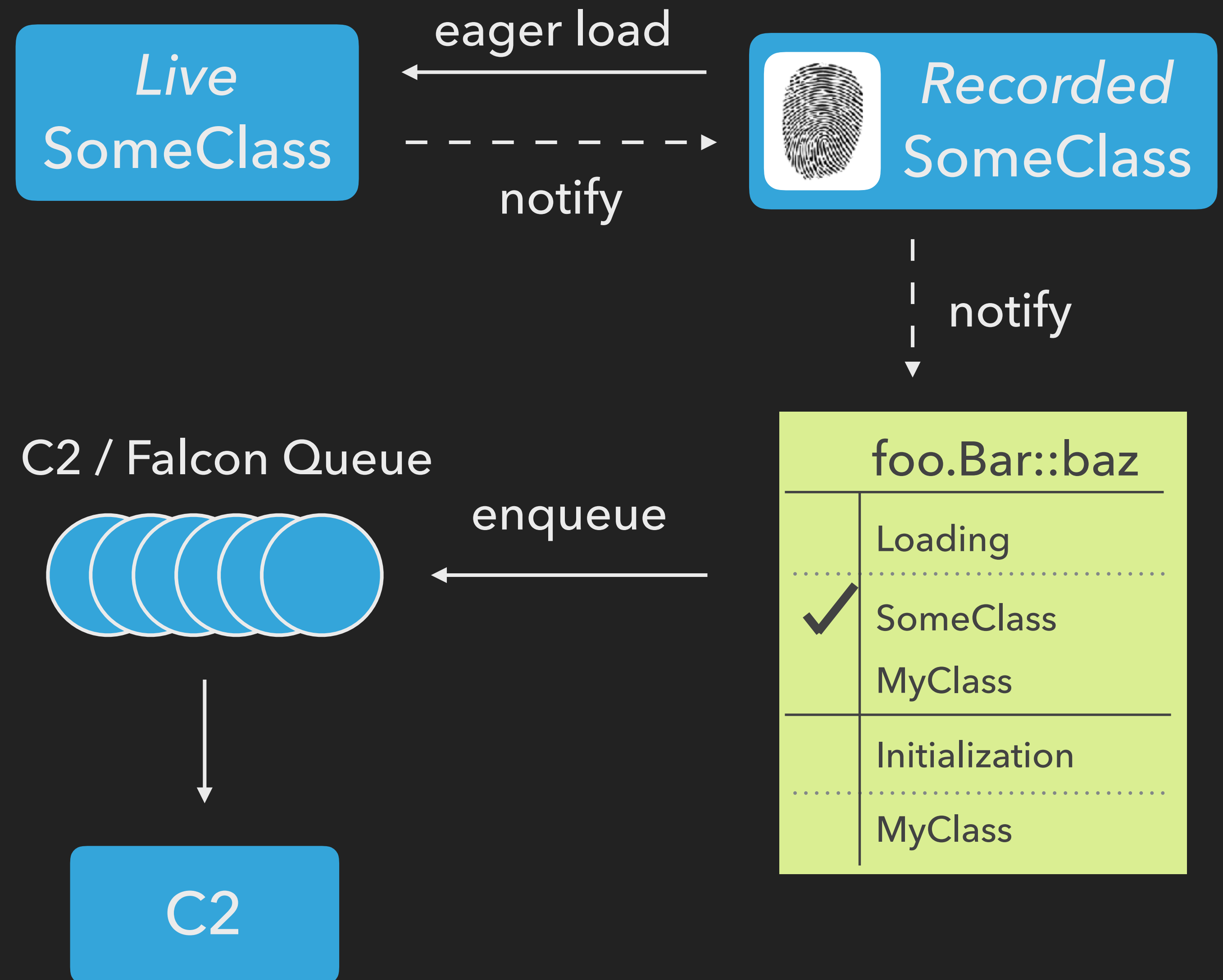
AT START-UP COMPILATION

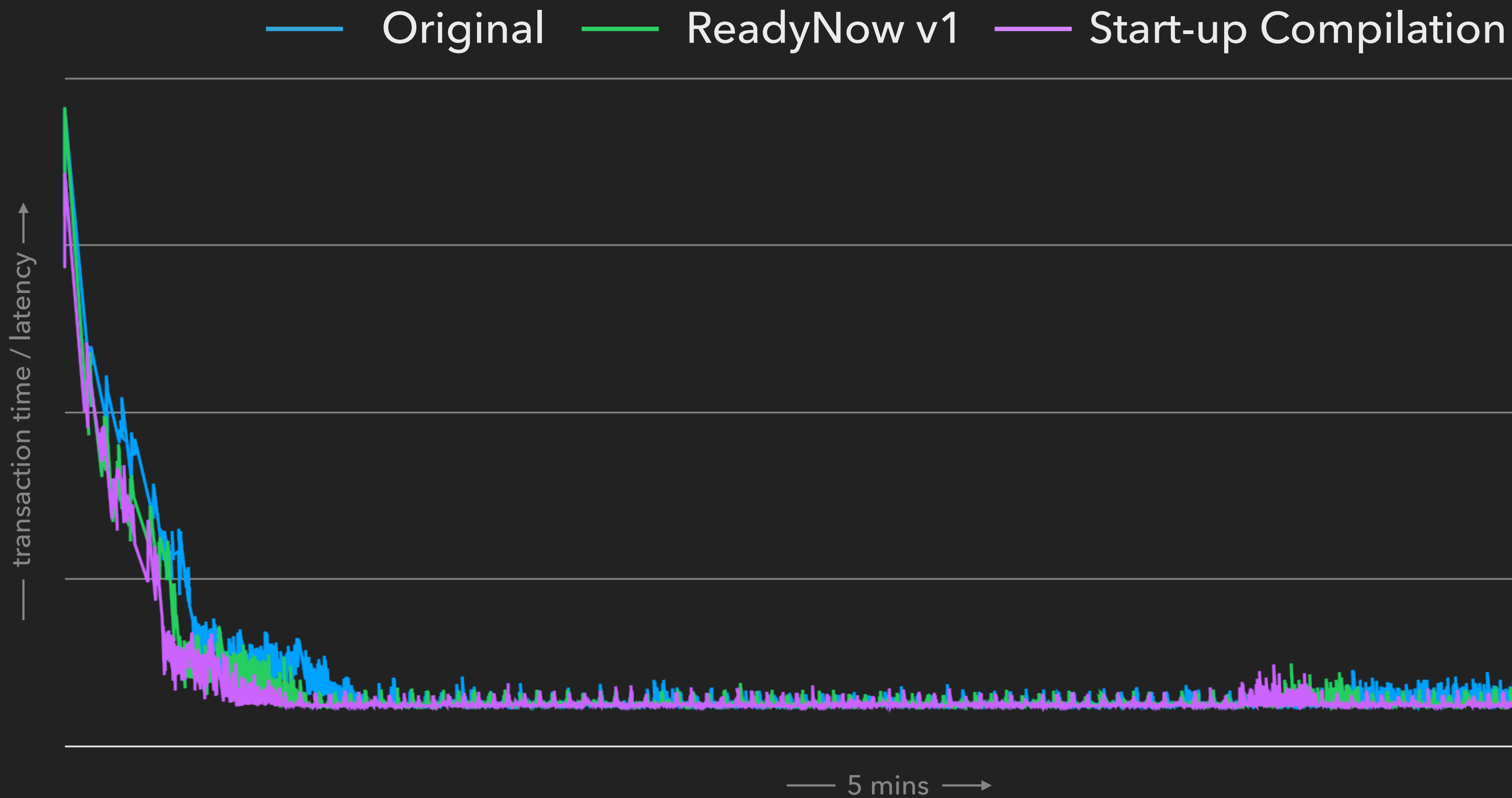
AT START-UP...

Eager Load
Classes

Eager Initialize
Most Classes

Resolve Constant
Pool Entries





Peak Perf

+2%

Traps

-49%

STW Deopts

-67%

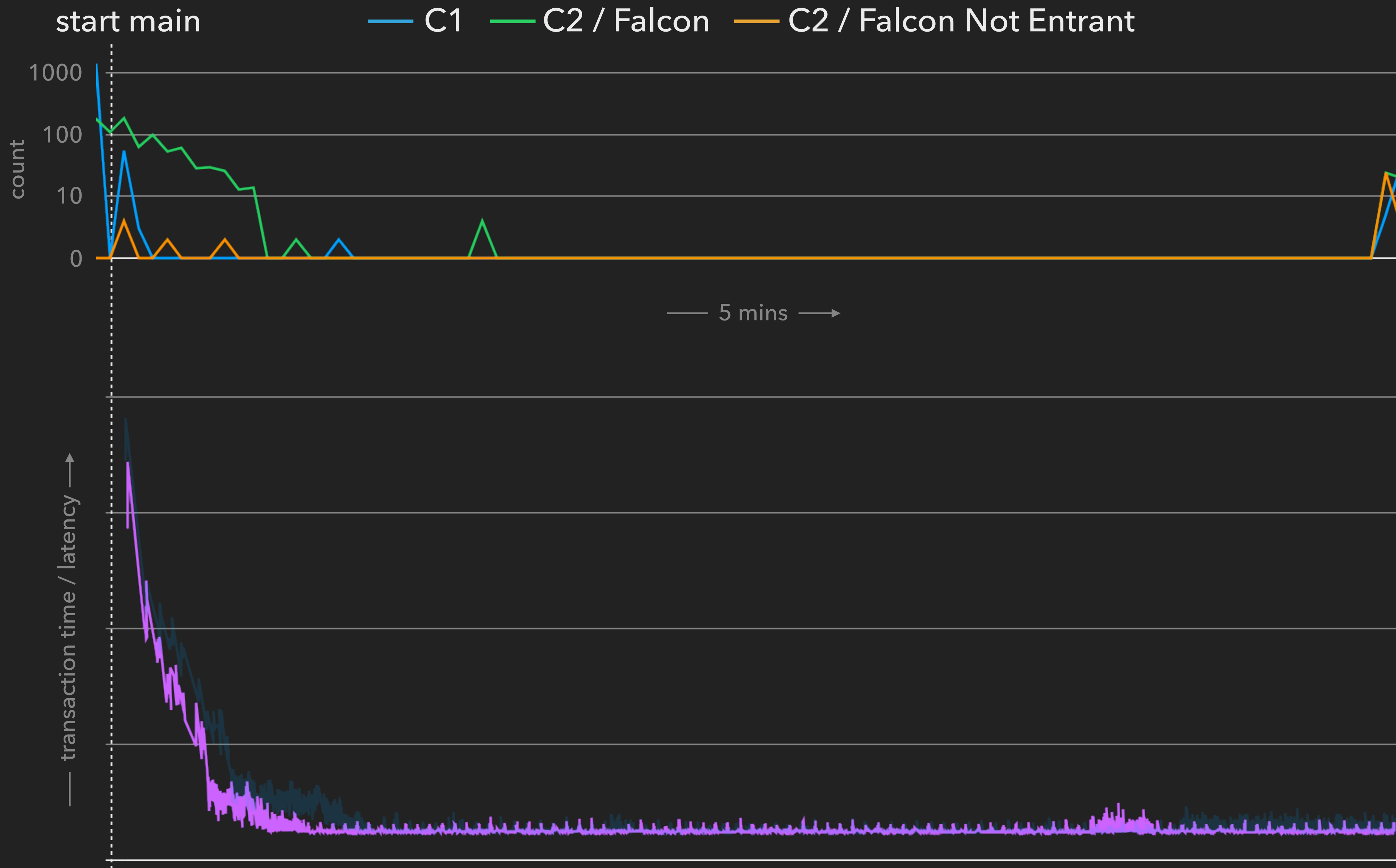
Not Entrant

-72%

Recompiled

-55%

A



Peak Perf

+2%

Traps

-49%

STW Deopts

-67%

Not Entrant

-72%

Recompiled

-55%

A

START REASONABLY FAST!

WARM-UP FAST!

STAY FAST!

PITFALLS!

ClassLoader.definePackage

Native Linking

Asserts

Enums

Initialization Order

ENUMS

```
enum MyEnum {  
    F00,  
    BAR,  
    BAZ;  
}
```

```
final enum MyEnum extends Enum<MyEnum> {  
    public static final F00 = new MyEnum("F00", 0);  
    public static final BAR = new MyEnum("BAR", 1);  
    public static final BAZ = new MyEnum("BAZ", 2);  
  
    private static final MyEnum[] ENUM$VALUES = {  
        F00, BAR, BAZ };  
  
    private MyEnum(String name, int ordinal) {  
        super(name, ordinal);  
    }  
  
    public static MyEnum[] values() {  
        return ENUM$VALUES;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

ASSERTS

```
class Assert {  
    void foo(int x) {  
        assert(x > 0);  
    }  
}
```

```
class Assert {  
    static final boolean $assertionsDisabled;  
    static {  
        $assertionsDisabled =  
            Assert.class.desiredAssertionStatus();  
    }  
    void foo(int x) {  
        if ( !$assertionsDisabled ) {  
            if ( !(x > 0) ) throw new AssertionError();  
        }  
        assert(x > 0);  
    }  
}
```

BIG PITFALL #1

CLASS LOADERS

CLASS LOADERS

“EVIL” TWINS

```
ClassLoader loader1 =  
    new URLClassLoader(new URL[] {  
        new File("foo.jar").toURL()  
    });  
Class<?> fooClass1 =  
    loader1.loadClass("Foo");
```

```
ClassLoader loader2 =  
    new URLClassLoader(new URL[] {  
        new File("foo.jar").toURL()  
    });  
Class<?> fooClass2 =  
    loader2.loadClass("Foo");
```

Indistinguishable After Persistence

CLASS BUCKETS



REMEMBER

FALSE NOTIFICATIONS ARE OKAY

COMPILER MAINTAINS CORRECTNESS

LOADER IDENTIFICATION API

```
ClassLoader loader1 =  
    new URLClassLoader(new URL[] {  
        new File("foo.jar").toURL()  
    });  
Zing.identify(loader1, "loader1");  
Class<?> fooClass1 =  
    loader1.loadClass("Foo");
```

```
ClassLoader loader2 =  
    new URLClassLoader(new URL[] {  
        new File("foo.jar").toURL()  
    });  
Zing.identify(loader2, "loader2");  
Class<?> fooClass2 =  
    loader1.loadClass("Foo");
```

DISAMBIGUATION



“KNOWN” LOADER AUTO-IDENTIFICATION

JDK

Bootstrap ClassLoader

Ext ClassLoader

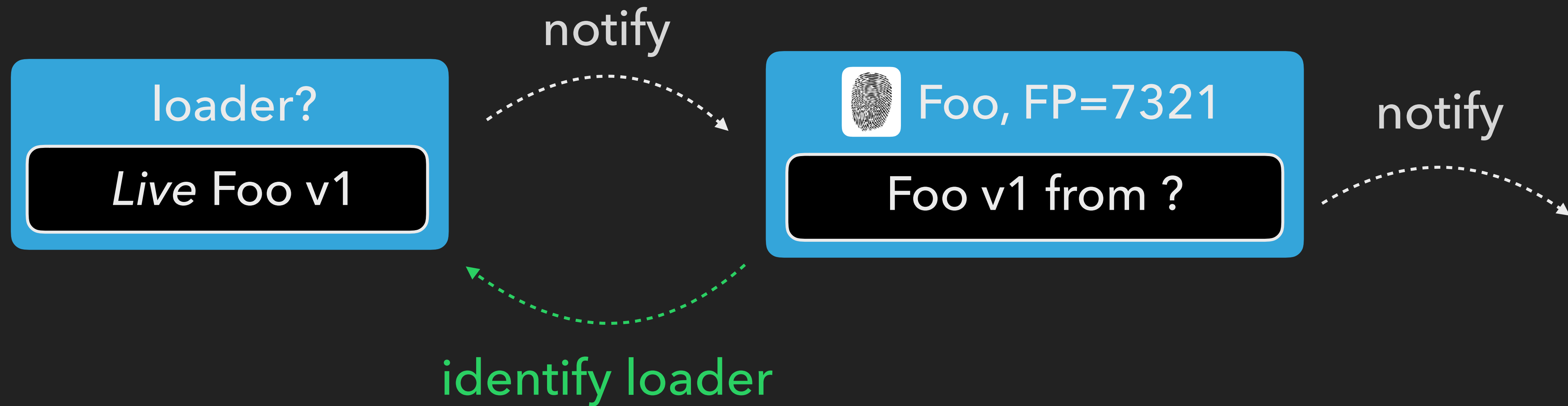
System ClassLoader

COMMON CONTAINERS

OSGi

More to Come

UNKNOWN LOADER AUTO-IDENTIFICATION



Loader identification triggers
eager load & initialization

BIG PITFALL #2

CLASS GENERATION

EAGER LOADING GENERATED CLASSES?

Generated classes cannot
be loaded immediately

Auto-recognize common code generators -
disable certain problematic behaviors

CLASS GENERATORS: REFLECTION

```
Class<?> klass = obj.getClass();  
Method method = klass.getMethod("foo", new Class<?>[] {});
```

```
for ( ... ) {  
    method.invoke(obj);  
}
```

```
java -XX:+TraceClassLoading
```

```
[Loaded sun.reflect.GeneratedMethodAccessor1 from __JVM_DefineClass__]
```

```
[Loaded sun.reflect.GeneratedMethodAccessor2 from __JVM_DefineClass__]
```

```
...
```

```
[Loaded sun.reflect.GeneratedMethodAccessor999 from __JVM_DefineClass__]
```

CLASS GENERATORS: REFLECTION

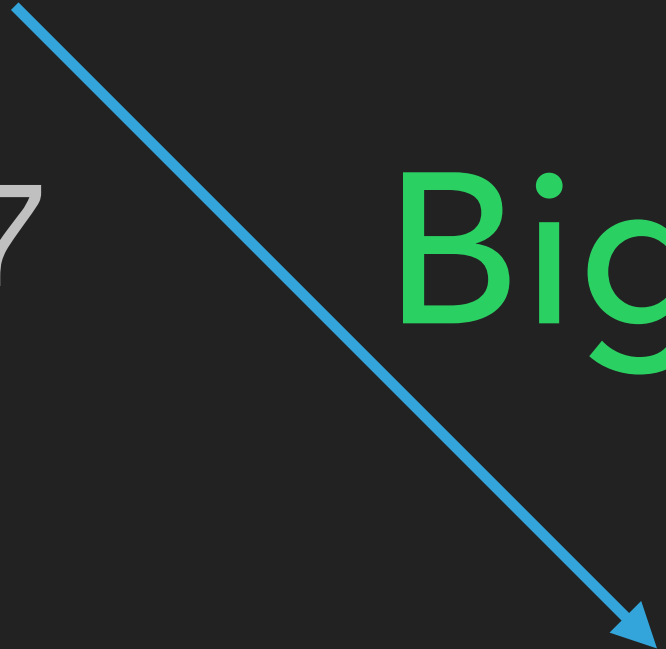
GeneratedMethodAccessor1

GeneratedMethodAccessor2

...

GeneratedMethodAccessor537

Big Improvement!



GeneratedMethodAccessor_RN80432DFE

GeneratedMethodAccessor_RN59AD0432

...

GeneratedMethodAccessor_RN432C809E

CLASS GENERATORS: XML TRANSFORM

```
DOMSource source = new DOMSource(...);
TransformerFactory transFactory = TransformerFactory.newInstance();

for ( ... ) {
    Transformer transformer = transFactory.newTransformer(source);
    ...
}
```

```
java -XX:+TraceClassLoading
[Loaded transformName from __JVM_DefineClass__]
[Loaded transformName from __JVM_DefineClass__]
[Loaded transformName from __JVM_DefineClass__]
```

CLASS GENERATORS: LAMBDA

```
int prod = Arrays.stream(ints).reduce(1, (r, el) -> r * el);
```

```
java -XX:+TraceClassLoading
```

```
[Loaded java.lang.invoke.LambdaForm$DMH/1534030866 from ..LambdaForm]
```

```
[Loaded java.lang.invoke.LambdaForm$BMH/1927950199 from ..LambdaForm]
```

```
[Loaded java.lang.invoke.LambdaForm$MH/321001045 from ..LambdaForm]
```

CLASS MUTATORS: HIBERNATE



`java -XX:+TraceClassLoading`

`[Loaded pkg.MyDao$$EnhancerByCGLIB$$2aaa1f58 from ./my-daos.jar]`

CLASS GENERATION

~~EVAL~~ == EVIL

AOP Rules Engines JSON Libraries Spring

XML Transform ORMs: Hibernate Reflection

Derby Java 8 Lambdas Dynamic Proxies Spark v2

Class Loading

Live
SomeClass

notify



**MATCHING
ENGINE**

notify



Recorded
SomeClass



Recorded
SomeClass'

Fingerprint Matching

Code Generator Auto-Identification

Structural Matching

ClassLoader Auto-Identification

Name Normalization

ClassLoader Disambiguation

OTHER MATCHING ADDS RESILIENCY

Method Level Matching

Small Code Changes

JDK / Library Upgrades

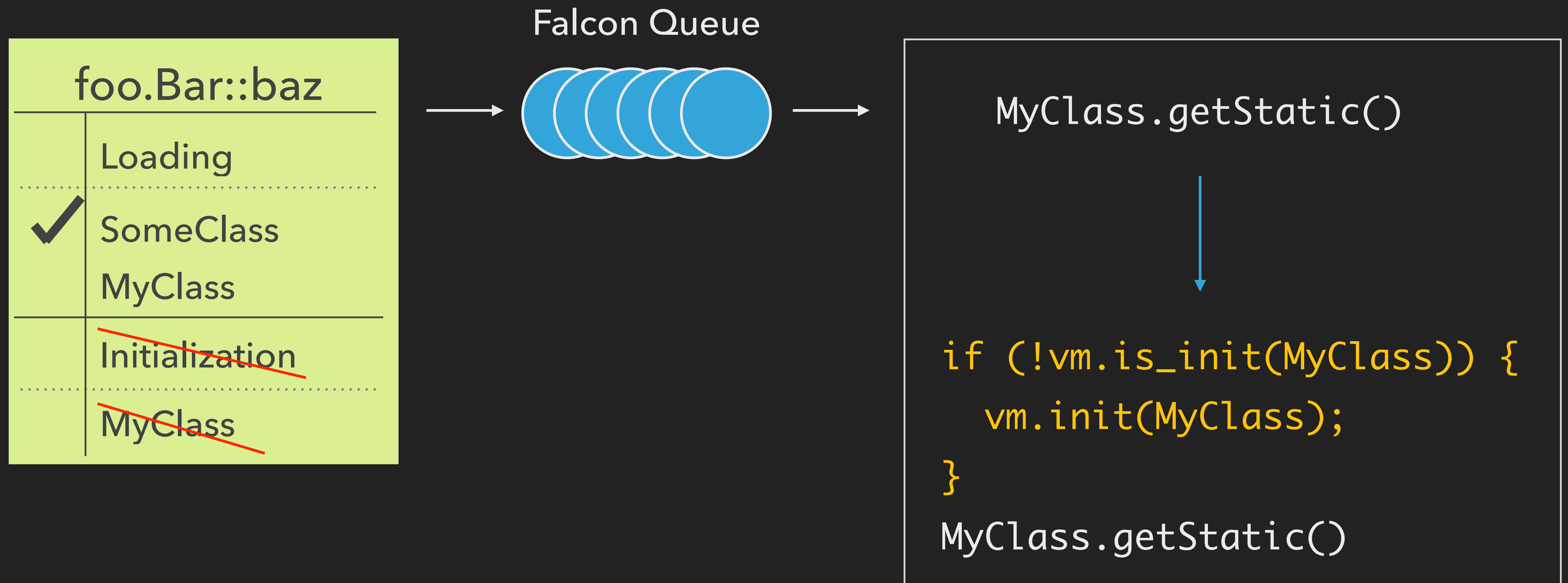
Resilient to Inlined Method Change



FALCON

Azul's New
LLVM-based JIT

DON'T WAIT FOR INITIALIZATION



INLINE INITIALIZATION CHECKS

MyClass.getStatic()



```
if ( !vm.is_init(MyClass)) {  
    vm.init(MyClass);  
}
```

MyClass.getStatic()

Bloats size by 20+%

Slows down by 10+%

Allows for Earlier
Stable Compilation

FOLLOW-UP COMPILATION

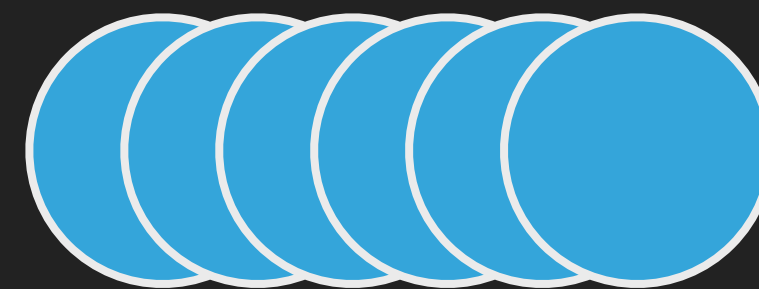
Quick Start Checklist

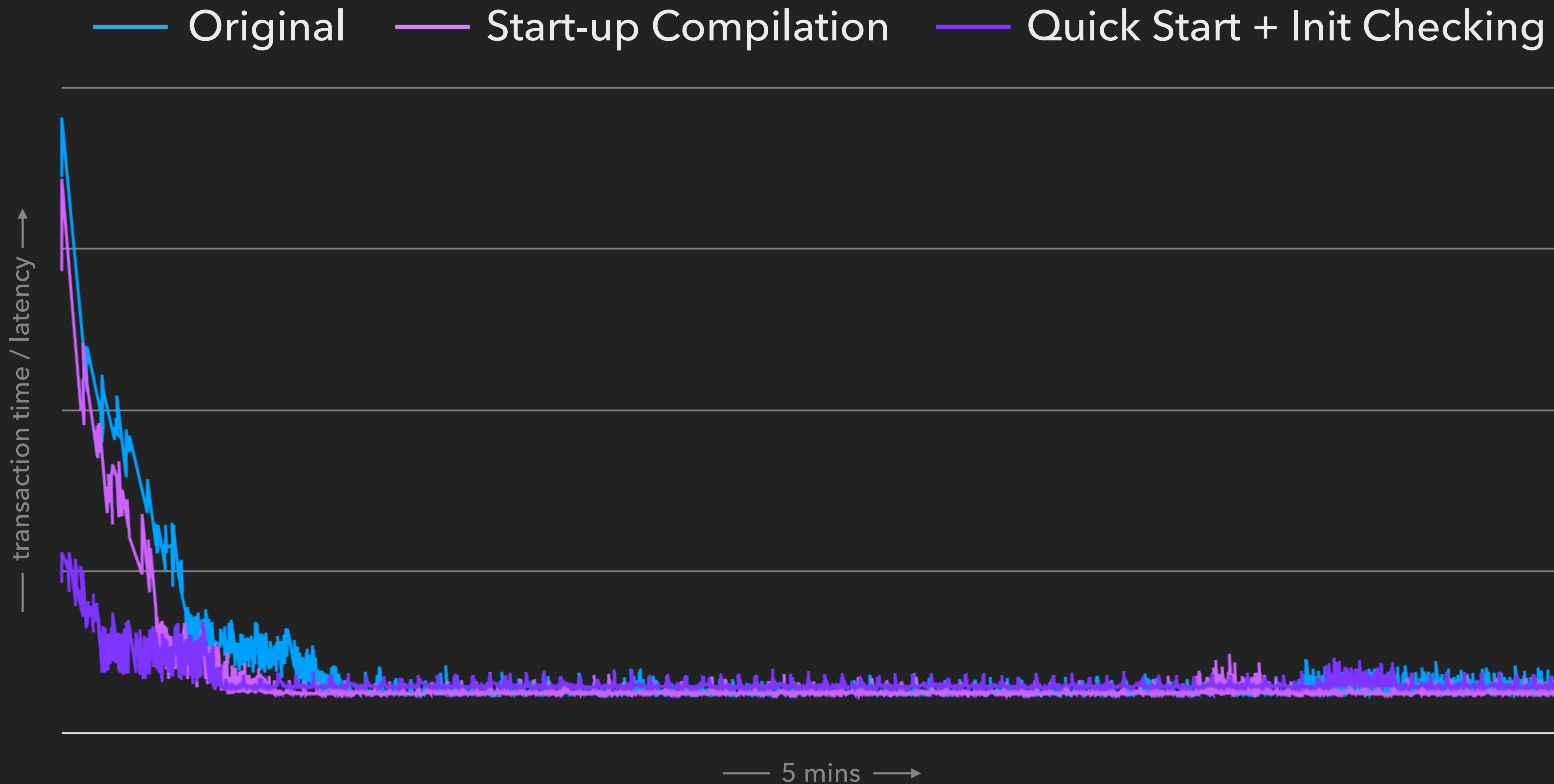
foo.Bar::baz	
	Loading
✓	SomeClass
	MyClass

Maximum Performance Checklist

foo.Bar::baz	
	Loading
✓	SomeClass
	MyClass
	Initialization
	MyClass

Falcon Queue





Peak Perf

-7%

Traps

+40%

STW Deopts

-67%

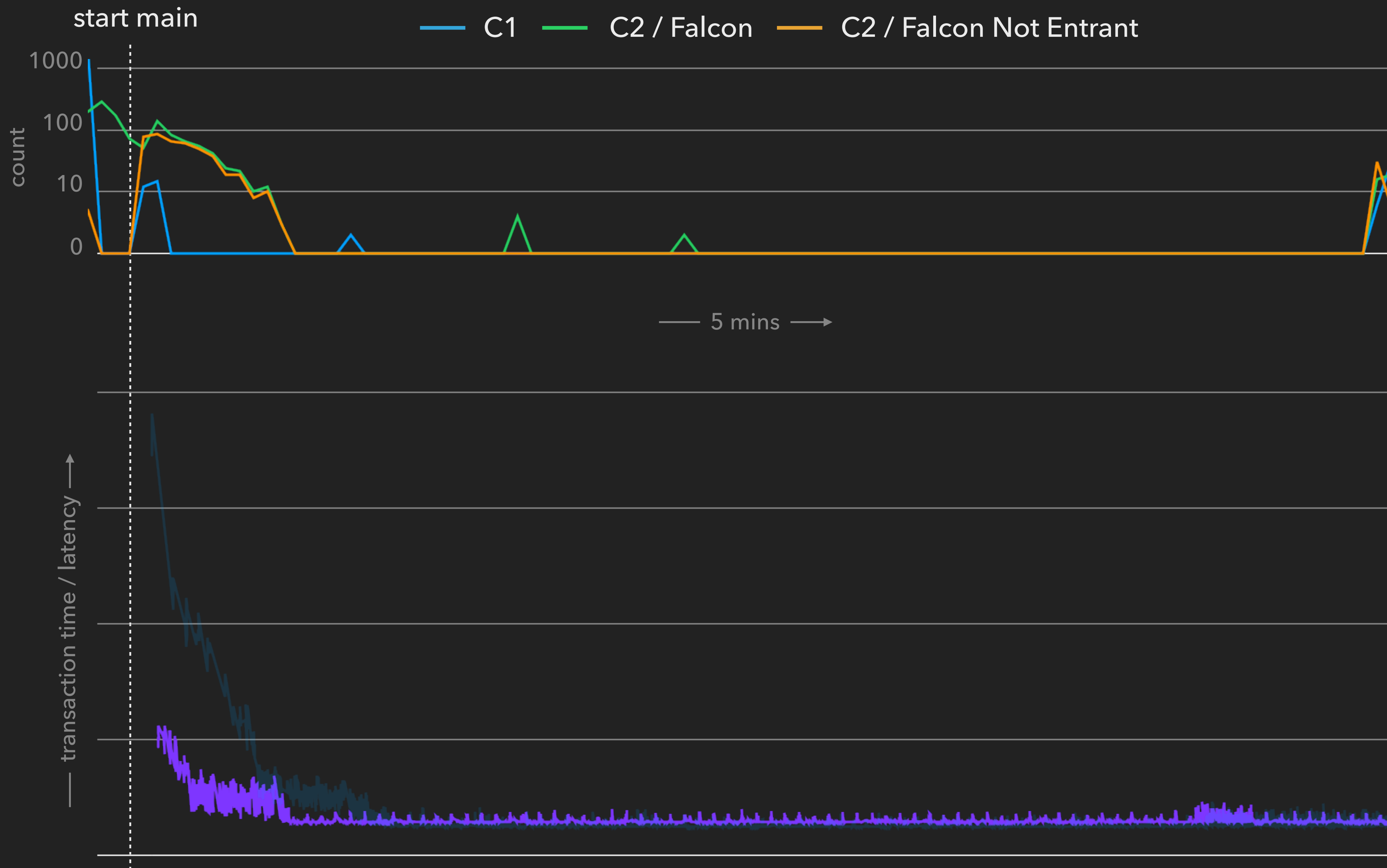
Not Entrant

+169%

Recompiled

+456%

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Peak Perf

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Traps

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STW Deopts

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Not Entrant

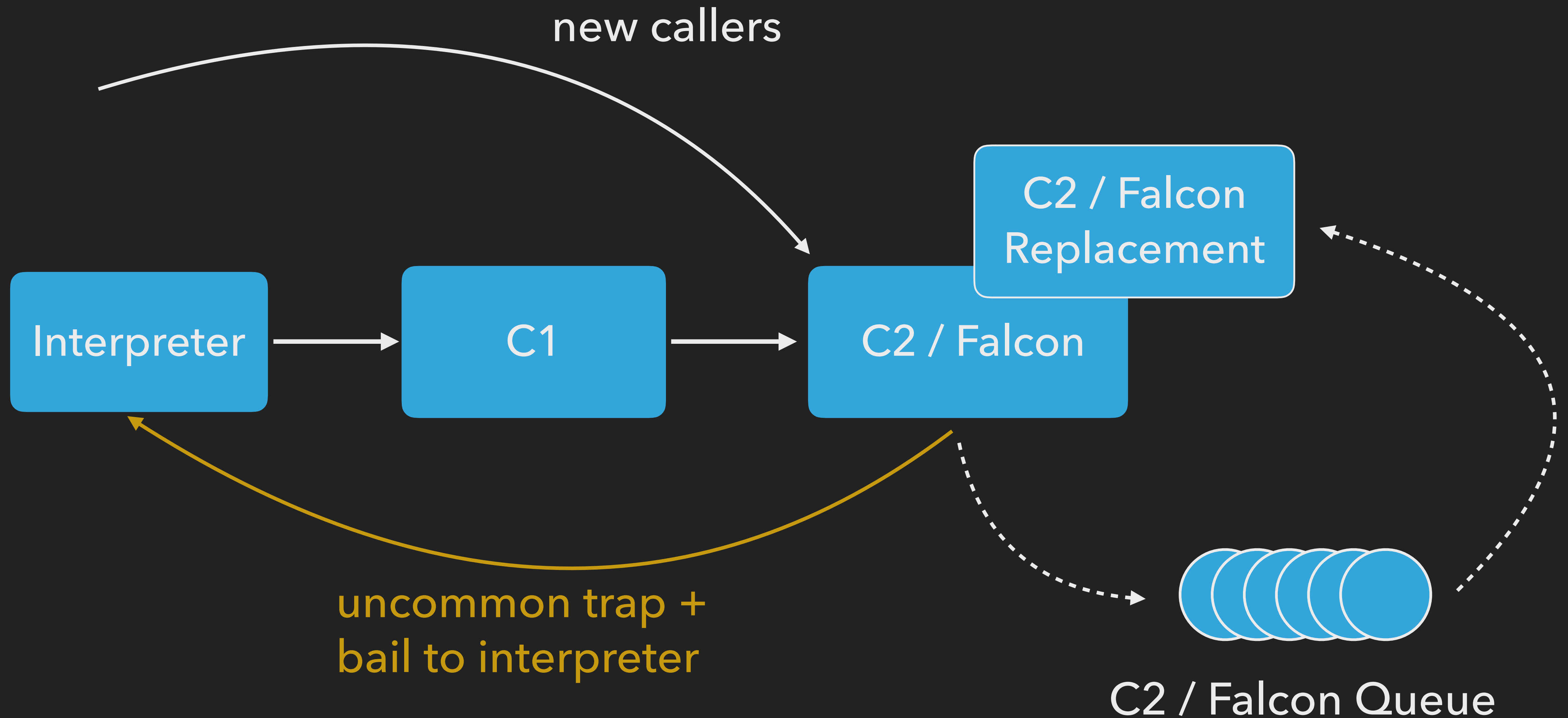
+169%

Recompiled

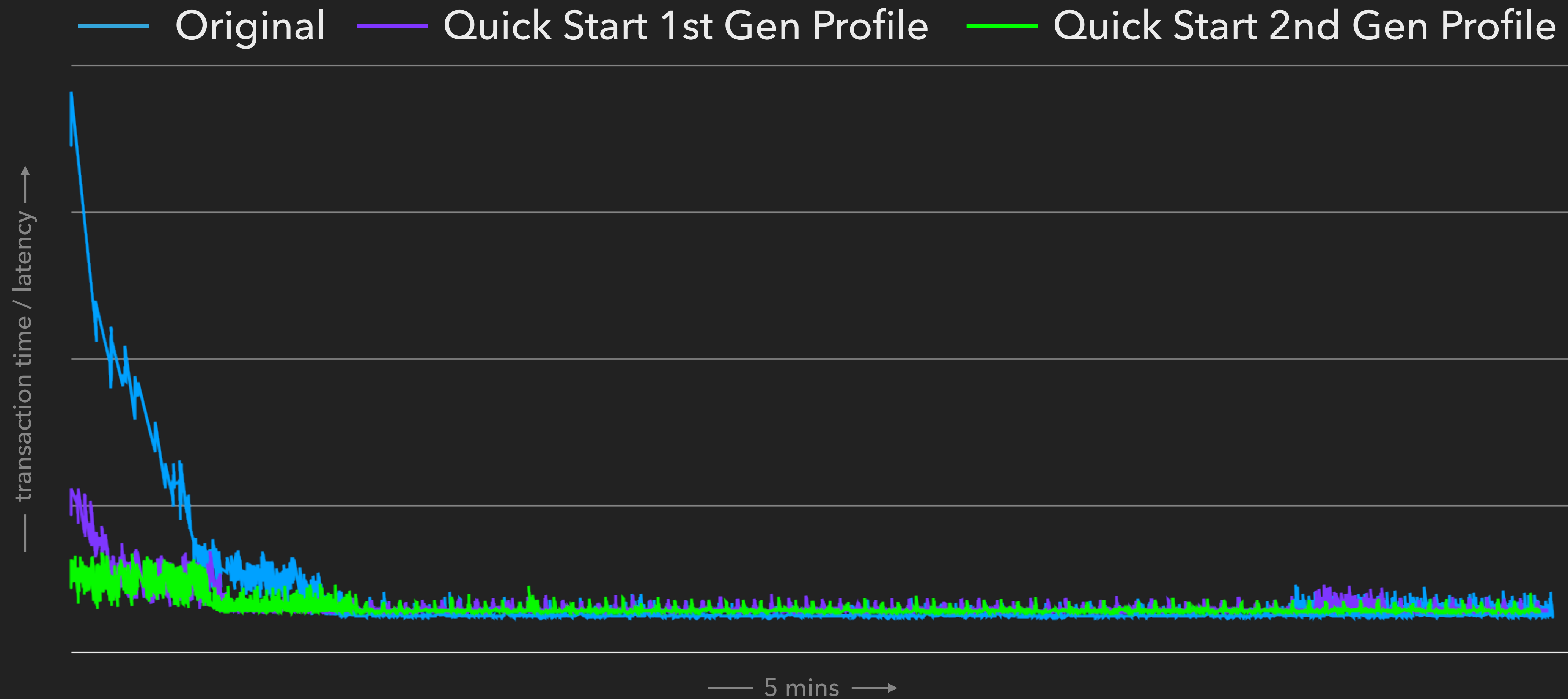
+456%

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KEEP ENTRANT + REPLACEMENT



AND WITH ONE MORE ROUND OF PROFILING



RESULTS VARY

60-80% Peak Performance at Start-up

1.5ms - 150ms Initial Transactions

3rd Transaction Usually at Peak

-10 to +10% Impact on Peak Performance



FUTURE **BENEFITS OF FALCON**

“EASY” TO ADD A JIT CACHE

ReadyNow drives start-up –
hits JIT cache to minimize waiting

ReadyNow's profile cache
backs up JIT cache

ADDING A JIT CACHE

BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

JIT caches misses on
code change, code generators

Profile cache still hits on
unchanged methods

WHAT IS READYNOW?

READYNOW ISN'T...

Conventional

Not an AOT

Not a JIT Cache *Yet*

READYNOW IS...

“Natural” for OpenJDK

Matching Engine

Compilation Log

ASAP Compilation

Profile Cache

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